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State disciplines health care providers

OLYMPIA — The Washington State Department of Health has taken disciplinary actions or withdrawn charges against health care providers in our state.

The department's Health Systems Quality Assurance Office works with boards, commissions, and advisory committees to set licensing standards for more than 70 health care professions (e.g., medical doctors, nurses, counselors).

Information about health care providers is on the agency website. Click on "Provider Credential Search" on the left hand side of the <u>Department of Health home page</u> (www.doh.wa.gov). The site includes information about a health care provider's license status, the expiration and renewal date of their credential, disciplinary actions and copies of legal documents issued after July 1998. This information is also available by calling 360-236-4700. Consumers who think a health care provider acted unprofessionally are also encouraged to call and report their complaint.

Benton County

In November 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program denied the application of **Patricia Ann Goodman** (NA60182283). She was convicted of theft. She failed to disclose the convictions in her application.

In December 2010 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program granted the application of chemical dependency professional trainee **Noel A. Vest** (CO60140122) and placed conditions against her registration. She was convicted of 21 felonies, including theft, forgery, identity theft, possession of a controlled substance, and unlawful manufacture of methamphetamine. She must comply with terms and conditions set against her registration.

Clallam County

In December 2010 the Chiropractic Commission granted the application of chiropractor **Keith David Meyer** (CH60131354). He must pass an examination before he can practice and his license will be on probation for one year. He practiced as a chiropractor without a valid license. He must comply with terms and conditions set against his license.

Clark County

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In November 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program denied the application of **Darlene J. Hovland** (NA60142708). She was convicted of theft on more than one occasion.

Island County

In December 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program charged **Lisa M. Bass** (NA00192850) with unprofessional conduct. She pleaded guilty to attempted criminal trespass.

King County

In December 2010 the Dental Commission entered into an agreed order with dentist **Calen H. Broadbent** (DE00006273). He took X-rays that were not of diagnostic quality and performed restorations on a patient's teeth that prematurely failed. He must comply with terms and conditions set against his license.

In December 2010 the Licensed Social Worker Program terminated the order of probation against the license of **Yaffa Cohen** (LW60001200, RC00029434).

In December 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program charged certified nursing assistant **Tengku D. Dahlan** (NC10081056) with unprofessional conduct. He allegedly got into an argument with a patient resulting in Dahlan attempting to restrain the patient by kicking him multiple times.

In December 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program granted the application of **Jacolynn C. Fairfield** (NA60174612) and placed conditions against her registration. She was convicted of minor in possession and/or consumption of alcohol on more than one occasion, and obstructing a law enforcement officer. She must comply with terms and conditions set against her registration.

In December 2010 the Secretary of Health charged **Perry J. Jones** (DE00004506) with unprofessional conduct. He allegedly entered into a sexual relationship with a patient.

In December 2010 the Medical Commission charged physician **Timothy H. Massey** (MD00030689) with unprofessional conduct. The care he provided allegedly fell below the standard when treating patients.

In December 2010 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program denied the application of **Cynthia Rochell Rice** (CO60161727). In 2009 she was convicted of theft and making a false statement to a public servant.

Kitsap County

In December 2010 the Board of Pharmacy denied the pharmacy assistant application of **Hollie M. Stevens** (VB60108990). Her certification to practice as a nursing assistant was suspended in 2009.

In December 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program granted the application of **Misty Angel Zuniga** (NA60190610) and placed her registration on probation for two years. She was convicted of theft. She must comply with terms and conditions set against her registration.

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Pierce County

In November 2010 the Emergency Medical Services and Trauma Systems Program charged emergency medical technician **Shane R. McBane** (ES01169964) with unprofessional conduct. He allegedly stole about \$483 from the fire department where he worked.

In November 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program denied the certified nursing assistant application of **Cyrena B. Nielsen** (NC60170657). Her nursing assistant registration was placed on probation in September 2010.

In December 2010 the Dental Commission entered into an agreed order with dental assistant **Erica L. Wallace** (D160056757). She forged prescriptions for Percocet for her own use and for use by her boyfriend. She must comply with terms and conditions set against her registration.

Skagit County

In December 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program charged certified nursing assistant **Paul R. Williams** (NC10087191) with unprofessional conduct. He was convicted of murder.

Snohomish County

In December 2010 the Chemical Dependency Professional, Licensed Mental Health, and Sex Offender Treatment Provider Programs took action against the credentials of **Rochelle Long**, also known as Rochelle Cowan (CP00003867, LH00007726, AF10000160). She provided substance abuse counseling treatment without the proper credentials, falsely testified in court on a patient's behalf, and entered into a continuance on criminal charges of false swearing. Her licensed mental health credential is on probation for one year, she agreed not to renew her chemical dependency credential for one year, and she previously agreed not to practice as a sex offender treatment provider until 2012.

In December 2010 the Dental Commission entered into an agreed order with dentist **David A. Pacey** (DE00007845). The care he provided fell below the standard when providing dental care to a patient. He must comply with terms and conditions set against his license.

Spokane County

In December 2010 the Massage Program granted the application of **Shannon Joyce Calhoun** (MA60163016) and placed her license on probation for one year. She entered into an order of continuance on theft charges. She must comply with terms and conditions set against her license.

In December 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program corrected the statement of charges against **Linda M. Graham** (NA00111773). She allegedly failed to appear for her shift, asked her patient to clock in for her, and was paid compensation for time periods where no actual care was provided to the patient.

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In November 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program denied the application of **David Edward Harrison** (NA60177756). He was charged with driving under the influence, convicted of driving under the influence, and convicted of two counts of reckless endangerment.

In December 2010 the Hypnotherapist Program entered into an agreed order with **Jayne E. Helle** (HP10000120). She inadvertently practiced as a hypnotherapist without an active credential. She must comply with terms and conditions set against her credential.

In December 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program charged **Jennifer R. Kiperash** (NA60016472) with unprofessional conduct. She allegedly tested positive for methamphetamine, marijuana or both, on five or more occasions.

In November 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program charged **Yvonne R. Pullins** (NA60066767) with unprofessional conduct. She allegedly withdrew money from a patient's bank account using the patient's debit card without permission.

Walla Walla County

In December 2010 the Medical Commission terminated the final order against physician **David Shoemaker** (MD00029733). Dr. Shoemaker's license is unrestricted in Washington.

Yakima County

In December 2010 the Nursing Commission charged registered nurse **Michele M. Stokke** (RN00134288) with unprofessional conduct. She allegedly tested positive for cocaine and fentanyl.

Note to Editors: Health care providers charged with unprofessional conduct have 20 days to respond to the Department of Health in writing. The case then enters the settlement process. If no disciplinary agreement can be reached, the case will go to a hearing.

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